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REDUCTION IN THE PROJECTED INVESTMENT IN THE COAL SECTOR
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to reduce the projected investment in the Coal Sector by over Rs.2000 crore in the 10th Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the details and reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL (SHRI DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. The Planning Commission has approved capital outlay of Rs.31591.10 Crs. for the Ministry of Coal. During Mid-term Appraisal (MTA) of the Xth Five Year Plan it is proposed to be reduced to Rs.18652.18 Crs. The details of the approved capital outlay and proposed during Mid-term Appraisal for the Xth Five Year Plan are as under :-

(Rs. in Crs.)

S.No.	Company/Scheme	Approved by the Planning Commission	Proposed during Mid-term Appraisal
1.	Coal India Limited	14310.00	10975.11
2.	Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd.	2113.00	1550.00
	Neyveli Lignite Corpn. Ltd. :	6125.94	2130.26
	i) Coal Sector	8007.64	2992.91
	ii) Power Sector	14133.58	5123.17
	Total		
4.	Science & Technology	100.00	72.93
5.	Regional Exploration	275.80	261.55
6.	Detailed Drilling	70.66	93.84
7.	Environmental measures and Subsidence control	163.00	150.52
8.	Voluntary	425.06	425.06

Retirement Scheme		
Total	31591.10	18652.18

Main reasons for downward revision in the capital outlay are as under :-

a) Revision of Heavy Earth Moving Machinery norms which have had an effect on requirement of capital outlay for HEMM equipments;

b) Delay in procurement of Heavy Earth Moving Machinery;

c) Delay in grounding of coal/lignite mining and power projects due to problems in acquisition of land, delay in forest clearances and other procedural matters.

d) Increase in outsourcing activities;